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MADELAINE LEROUX.

By KATHARINE S. MACQUOID

She could never marry Monsieur Derrient and everything would be miserable unless, indeed Aunt Virginie's remonstrances touched her father But she had small space to think it There was Joseph carrying down her luggage before she had put on her cloak and hat she had only time to gather one last rose as a memory of her happy visit to kiss and hug Aunt Virginie, who could hardly check her tears at parting to bid adieu to the quaint old servants and then she was on her way to the station at Dol for in those days the old gray town beside the river had not been invaded by a railway

Her father met with an acquaintance in the Ysrost dil gence who was also bound for Rouen and Madelaine had been very glad of time for thinking before she reached home.

Monsieur Leroux lived in one of the new streets of Rouen in a comfortable if very ugly three pie House and on that Madelaine thought to her aunt's road seemed home. Her stepmother's affec are greeting however made the girl feel rather happier

Soon was in her room putting away the things she had unpacked and looking around at all her belongings, when a tap came at the door Enter room

It was Madame L and Madelaine's first glance at her mother was already struggling against her fears and how very unlike was her stepmother's manner to the sly secretive self she had left

What is it little mother I see you want to talk to again to keep up your spirits Has Josephine been putting chicory in the coffee Has the canary got out of the cage Tell me what has happened

As she said Madame Leroux as she spoke put her arm around her

Madame Leroux turned her blazing and smiled rather but was quite off

I am very glad everything dear and I shall be able to sleep in peace now that you are safely home I am very tired

What is it? she said faintly She was sure now that he did not care for her he was so calm and self possessed while she was quivering from head to foot with the joy of seeing him again

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A Thrifty Maine Man.

In Oldtown is a man who is making money fast out of clams though he is at present feeding the clams to his pigs. He keeps a hotel and has bonded a clam flat down around Mount Desert. His clams arrive each day He keeps them two weeks, feeding them on celery meal and Indian meal They laugh and grow fat. Then he boils them, a bushel at a time. He puts in a quart of water and takes out eight quarts. The water is strained and set aside for a day in a refrigerator Then it is heated, seasoned with salt and pepper and sold for five cents a glass. He has a big trade.

A bushel of clams delivered costs sixty cents. He feeds them forty cents worth He gives a four ounce drink There are thirty two drinks in a gallon and sixty four drinks are secured from a bushel of clams. Net profit on a bushel of clams, $2.20, and he sells on some days six gallons. Many try to imitate him but no one knows how to feed the clams as he does. His pigs grow fast moreover —Boston Transcript.

Salvia Coccinea.

This is one of the oldest greenhouse sages and among the neatest growing of the entire genus. It is a freely branched kind which forms a pretty little bushy specimen about eighteen inches high, and toward the end of the summer and in autumn it is plentifully studded with bright scarlet blossoms. Planted in the open ground, it is very attractive till spoiled by the rains and frosts of autumn. Not only is it very pretty treated in this way, but it also succeeds well in pots and is valuable for the greenhouse at a time when many of the summer flowering things are past their best and before the chrysanthemums come in. Like most of its allies, this salvia is of easy propagation and culture, the principal thing to observe being that the plants do not receive any severe check, otherwise they are very liable to be attacked by insect pests.

—Smokers' articles of every description at Emil Thamm's.

While she was dressing Madelaine had become impatient for the interview with her father

Things always seem worse at a distance" she thought as she went down stairs. She met Madame Leroux in the entrance hall, and she slipped her hand under her stepmother's arm

You are coming with me I am so glad"

Your father is not in the drawing room child One of our visitors has come very early so we must go in and receive him

Madelaine's hard was on the lock and she opened the door and went in She did not notice that Madame Leroux had stopped to speak to Victoire, she stood still too much surprised to move forward Monsieur Henri was in the room facing her he looked as bright and happy as possible He took both her hands in his and drew her to a chair, in her intense surprise it did not occur to Madelaine that there was anything unusual in his doing so.

But how— what She heard she saw he was need for dinner he was evidently an invited guest.

You are surprised to see me here I have the pleasure of knowing your father" he said and then Madame Leroux came in and greeted her visitor as if he were very welcome She soon left him to Madelaine and went away to the window of the inner room

Why did you not tell me you knew them?" Madelaine said reproachfully

Why I do mystery He smiled at her

I had several reasons for my silence. For one thing you never asked me—indeed I may say that at the beginning of our acquaintance you also completely ignored me that I was obliged to talk only to Mademoiselle Chaumlee Madelaine blushed with shame Monsieur Henri went on "When we really began to talk there was so much else to be said but now before the other guests arrive I have something to say May I say it

Madelaine felt strangely agitated she did not know what was the matter with her it seemed to her that she must laugh and cry both at once.

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OUR MIDNIGHT VISITOR.

I.

"Let go that pistol then I gasped

On the western side of the island of Arran seldom visited and almost unknown to tourists, is the little island named Uffa. Between the two lies a strait or roost, two miles and a half broad with a dangerous current that sets in from the north Even on the calmest day there are ripples and swirls and ripples on the surface of the roost which suggest hidden influences, but when the wind blows from the west and the great Atlantic waves choke up the inlet and meet their brethren which have raced round the other side of the island, there is such seething and turmoil that old sailors say they have never seen the like God help the boat that is caught there on such a day

My father owned one third part of the island of Uffa, and I was born and bred there My father had been enabled to send me to begin the study of medicine at the University of Glasgow, and I had attended lectures there for two winter sessions but whether from caprice or from some lessening in his funds, he had recalled me and in the year eighteen hundred and sixty five I found myself cribbed up in this little island with just education enough to wish for more and with no associate at home but the grim stern old man, for my mother had been dead some years and I had neither brother nor sister

There were two youths about my own age in the island Geordie and Jock Gibbs but they were rough, Scotch fellows, good hearted enough, but with no ideas above fishing and fowling More to my taste was the society of Minnie Fullarton, the pretty daughter of old Fullarton, of Corrieamins. We had been children together and it was natural that when she blossomed into a buxom fresh faced girl, and I into a square shouldered, long legged youth there should be something warmer than friendship between us. Her elder brother was a corn chandler in Ardrossan, and was said to be doing well so that the match was an eligible one but for some reason my father objected very strongly to our intimacy and even forbade me entirely to meet her I laughed at his commands, for I was a hot headed irreverent young ster and continued to see Minnie, but when it came to his ears it caused many violent scenes between us, which nearly went the length of blows. We had a quarrel of this sort just before the equinoctial gales in the spring of the year to which my story begins and I left the old man with his face flushed and his great bony hands shaking with passion while I went jaunting off to our usual trysting place I have often regretted since that I was not more submissive but how was I to guess the dark things which were to come upon me?

The wind was blowing freshly from the northwest and the great Atlantic rollers were racing merrily in, one behind the other, dark brown below, light green above, and breaking with a sullen roar at the base of the cliffs. Now and again a sluggish one would be overtaken by its successor, and the two would come crashing in together and send the spray right over me as I lay The whole air was prickly with the smack of the sea. Away to the north there was a piling up of clouds and the peak of Goatfell in Arran looked hard and distinct. There were no craft in the offing except one little eager panting steamer making for the shelter of the Clyde and a trig brigantine tacking along the coast. I was speculating as to her destination when I heard a light, springy footstep and Minnie Fullarton was standing beside me, her face rosy with exercise and her brown hair floating behind her

What's been vexing you, Archie?" she asked with the quick intuition of womankind The auld man has been speaking about me again has he not?"

It was strange how pretty and mellow the accents were in her mouth which came so raspingly from my father. We sat down on a little green hillock together her hand in mine, while I told her of our quarrel in the morning

You see there is no prospect of my ever being able to marry you, Minnie," I said "but indeed they'll find they have the wrong man to deal with if they try to frighten me away from you"

I'm not worth it, Archie," she answered, sighing I'm over homely and simple for one like you that speaks well and is a scholar forbye

"A bad night for the poor sailors," she continued sadly, glancing at the dark wrack hurrying up from the northward and at the white line of breakers on the Wanner sands. I wonder what you brig is after Unless it gets round to Lamlash or Brodick bay it'll find itself on a nasty coast"

She was watching the trim brigantine which had already attracted my attention. She was still standing off the coast and evidently expected rough weather, for her foresail had been taken in and her topsail reefed down

It's too cold for you up here," I exclaimed at last, as the clouds covered the sun and the keen north wind came in more frequent gusts We walked back together until we were close to Carracuil, when she left me, taking the footpath to Corriemains, which was about a mile from our lothy Thoped that my father had not observed us together, but he met me at the door, fuming with passion His face was quite livid with rage, and he held his shotgun in his hands. I forget if I mentioned that in spite of his age he was one of the most powerful men I ever met in my life.

So you've come!" he roared, shaking the gun at me "You great gowk"—

I did not wait for the string of adjectives which I knew was coming

"You keep a civil tongue in your head," I said.

"You dare!" he shouted, raising his arm as if to strike me. "You wumman come in here. You can gang back where you come frae!"

"You can go to the devil!" I answered, losing my temper completely, on which he jabbed at me with the butt end of the gun, but I warded it off with my stick. For a moment the devil was busy in me, and my throat was full of curses, but I choked them down, and turning on my heel walked back to Corriemains, where I spent the day with the Fullartons. It seemed to me that my father, who had long been a miser, was rapidly becoming a madman—and a dangerous one to boot.

II.

"Let go that pistol then I gasped

My mind was so busy with my grievance that I was poor company, I fear, and drank, perhaps more whisky than was good for me I remember that I stumbled over a stool once and that Minnie looked surprised and tearful while old Fullarton shuggered to himself and coughed to hide it I did not set out for home till I first nine which was a very late hour for the island. I knew my father would be asleep and that if I climbed the ivy into my bedroom window I should have one night in peace

It was blowing great guns by this time and I had to put my shoulder against the gale as I came along the winding path which led down to Carracuil I must still have been under the influence of liquor, for I remember that I sang uproariously and I found my feeble pipe to the howling of the wind I had just got to the enclosure of our croft when a little incident occurred which helped to sober me

White was the color so rare in nature, that in an island like ours where even paper was a precious commodity, it would arrest the attention at once Something white fluttered across my path and stuck flapping upon a furze bush I lifted it up and discovered, to my very great surprise that it was a linen pocket handkerchief—and scented! Now I was very sure that beyond my own there was no such thing as a linen pocket handkerchief in the island A small community like ours knew each others wardrobe to a nicety But as to scent in Uffa—it was preposterous! Who did the handkerchief belong to then? Was Minnie right and was there really a stranger in the island! I walked on very thoughtfully, holding my discovery in my hand and thinking of what Minnie had said in the night before

When I got into my bedroom and lit my rush light I examined it again It was clean and new, with the initials "A W" worked in red silk in the corner There was no other indication as to who it might belong to, though from its size it was evidently a man's. The incident was not so extraordinary that I set for a time down on the side of my bed turning it over in my befuddled mind but with out getting no nearer a conclusion I might as have taken my father into confidence but his hoarse snoring in the adjoining room showed that he was fast asleep It is as well that it was so, for I was in no humor to be bullied and we might have had words. The old man had little longer to live and it is some solace to me now that that little was unmarred by any further strife between us.

I did not take my clothes off, but my brain was getting swimmy after its temporary clearness so I dropped my head upon the pillow and sank into profound slumber I must have slept about four hours when I was with a violent start.

To this day I have never known what it was that roused me Everything was perfectly still and yet I found all my faculties in a state of extreme tension Was there some one in the room? It was very dark, but I peered about, leaning on my elbow There was nothing to be seen, but still that eerie feeling haunted me At that moment the flying scud passed away from the face of the moon and a flood of cold light was poured into my chamber I turned my eyes up instinctively, and—good God!—there at the window was the face, an evil malicious face, hard cut and distinct against the silvery radiance, glaring in at me as Minnie had seen it the night before For one moment I tingled and palpitated like a frightened child the next both glass and sash were gone and I was rolling over and over on the gravel path with my arms around a tall, strong man—the two of us worrying each other like a pair of dogs. Almost by intuition I knew as we went down together that he had slipped his hand into his side pocket, and I clung to that wrist like grim death He tried hard to free it, but I was too strong for him, and we staggered on to our feet again in the same position, panting and snarling

"Let go my hand, damn you!" he said.

"Let go that pistol then," I gasped

We looked hard at each other in the moonlight, and then he laughed and opened his fingers. A heavy glittering object, which I could see was a revolver, dropped with a clink to the gravel I put my foot on it and let go my grip of him

"Well, matey, how now?" he said with another laugh "Is that an end of a round or the end of the battle? Your islanders seem a hospitable lot. You're so ready to welcome a stranger that you can't wait to find the door, but must come flying through the window like infernal fireworks."

"What do you want to come prowling around people's houses at night for with weapons in your pocket?" I asked sternly

"I should think I needed a weapon," he answered, "when there are young devils like you knocking around Hullo! there's another of the family"

I turned my head and there was my father almost at my elbow He had come around from the front door His gray woolen nightdress and grizzled hair were streaming in the wind, and he was evidently much excited. He had in his hand the double barreled gun with which he had threatened me in the morning He put this up to his shoulder and would most certainly have blown out either my brains or those of the stranger, had I not turned away the barrel with my hand.

"Wait a bit, father," I said, "let us hear what he has to say for himself And you" I continued, turning to the stranger, "can come inside with us and justify yourself if you can. But remember we are in a majority, so keep your tongue between your teeth."

"Not so fast, my young bantam," I grumbled, "you've got my six-shooter but I have a Derringer in my pocket. I learned in Colorado to carry them both However, come along into this shanty of yours, and let us get the damned palaver over. I'm wet through, and most infernally hungry."

My father was still mumbling to him self and fidgeting with his gun, but it did not oppose my taking the stranger into the house. I struck a match and lit the oil lamp in the kitchen, on which our prisoner stooped down to it and began smoking a cigarette. As the light fell full on his face both my father and I took a good look at him He was a man of about forty remarkably handsome, of rather Spanish type, with blue black hair and finely marked features. His eyes were very bright and their gaze so intense that you would think that they projected some what unless you saw him in profile There was a dash of reckless nessand devilry about them which, with his wiry, powerful frame and jaunty manner, gave the impression of a man whose past had been an adventurous one He was elegantly dressed in a velveteen jacket and grey ish trousers of a foreign cut Without in the least resenting our prolonged scrutiny he seated himself upon the dresser swinging his feet and blowing little blue wreaths from his cigarette His appearance seemed to reassure my father, or perhaps it was the sight of the rings which flashed on the stranger's left hand every time he raised it to his lips

"You mumma mind Archie, sir," he said in a cringing voice He was always a fashious man, overgiven wi' his hands, and wi' more muscle than brains I was fashed my self wi' the sudden stour, and as for shootin at you, sir, that was a' my auld man's fu'ers. Ye doubtless are a vecation, or may be it's a shipwreck Its nae a shipwreck, is't? The tide's awake the covetous devil in my father's soul, and it looked out through his glistening eyes and set his long strong hands a shaking

"I came here in a boat," said the stranger shortly "That was the first house I came to after I left the shore, and I'm not likely to tell you where you have given me That's a matter of my own business, but I'm not likely to keep it from you if you have given me That's all"

"A good job too I interrupted Digby, why couldn't you come up to the door like a man instead of sculking at the window?"

Hush Archie, hush" said my father imploringly "and our visitor granted across at me as much civility as if my speech had been most conciliatory

"I don't blame you he said—he spoke with a strange mixture of accents, sometimes with a strong brogue, sometimes with a slight Yankee intonation, and at other times quite purely indeed "I have done the same myself Maybe you noticed a bright little standing on and off the shore yesterday"

I nodded my head

"That was mine, he said "I am owner, skipper and everything else. Why shouldn't a man spend his money in his own way I like cruising about, and I like new experiences. I suppose there is no harm in that I was in the Mediterranean last month, but I'm sick of blue skies and fine weather Chios is a damn fine paradise of a place I've come up here for a little fresh air and freedom I cruised all down the western isles, and when we came abreast of this place of yours it rather took my fancy so I hauled the foresail aback and came ashore last night to prospect. It wasn't this house I struck but another farther to the west end, however, I saw enough to be sure it was a place after my own heart—a real quiet corner So I went back and set everything straight aboard yesterday and now here I am You can put me up for a few weeks, I suppose. I'm not hard to please, and I can pay my way I suppose we say ten dollars a week for board and lodging and a fortnight to be paid in advance."

He put his hand in his pocket and produced four shining napoleons which he pushed along the dresser to my father, who grabbed them up eagerly

"I'm sorry I gave you such a rough reception" I said, rather awkwardly "I was hardly awake at the time

"Say no more mate, say no more" he shouted heartily, holding out his hand and clasping mine Hard knocks are nothing new to me I suppose we may consider the bargain settled then?"

We can bide as long as you will, sir" answered my father still fingering the four coins "Archie and me'll dout we can to make your visit a pleasant one It is no' such a dreary place as ye might think "When the Lamlash boats come in we get the papers and

It struck me that I looked for anything but overjoyed by the piece of information You don't mean to say that you get the papers here" he said

Oo aye, The Scotsman an the Glasgey Herald But maybe you would like Archie and me to row over to your ship in the morn an fetch your luggage"

The brig lay fifty miles away by this time, said our visitor She is running before the wind for Montilles. I told the mate to bring her round again in a month or so As to luggage I always travel light in that matter If a mere purse is only full he can do with very little else All I have is in the bundle and portmanteau under your window By the way my name is Digby Charles Digby

I thought your initials were A W I remarked

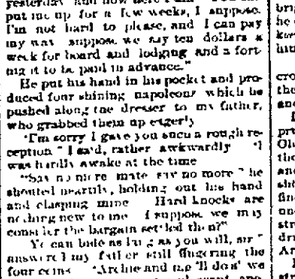
He sprang off the dresser as if he had been stung, and his face turned quite gray for a moment What the devil do you mean by that" he said

I thought this might be yours" I answered, handing him the handkerchief I had found.

Oh is that all" he said with rather a forced laugh I didn't get to see what you were driving at That's all right It belongs to Whittingdale the second officer I'll keep it until I see him again And now suppose you give me something to eat, for I'm about famished"

We brought him such rough fare as was to be found in our larder and he ate ravenously and toned off a stiff glass of whisky and water Afterward my father showed him into the solitary spare bedroom, with which he professed himself well pleased and we all settled down for the night. As I went back to my couch I noticed that the gale had freshened up, and I saw long streamers of seaweed flying past my broken window in the moonlight. A great bat fluttered into the room, which is reckoned a sure sign of misfortune in the islands, but I was never superstitious, and let the poor thing find its way out again unmolested

III.



"The brig's wrecked and they're all drowned!"

In the morning it was still blowing a whole gale, though the sky was blue for the most part. Our guest was up betimes and we walked down to the beach together. It was a sight to see the great rollers sweeping in overtopping one another like a herd of oxen, and then bursting with a roar, sending the Carracuil pebbles flying before them like grapeshot and filling the whole air with driving spume.

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We were standing together watching the scene, when looking round I saw my father hurrying toward us. He had been up and out since early dawn When he saw us looking he began waving his hands and shouting, but the wind carried his voice away We ran toward him, however, seeing that he was heavy with news.

"The brig's wrecked and they're all drowned!" he cried as we met him.

"What!" roared our visitor.

If ever I heard exceeding great joy compressed into a monosyllable it vibrated in that one.

They're all drowned and snething saved!" repeated my father "Come yourself and see"

We followed him across the Combera to the level sands on the other side. They were strewn with wreckage, broken pieces of bulwark and handrail, paneling of a cabin and an occasional cask. A single large spar was tossing in the waves close to the shore, occasionally shooting up toward the sky like some giant's javelin, then sinking and disappearing in the trough of the great moaning seas. Digby hurried up to the nearest piece of timber and stooping over it examined it intently

"By Godt" he said at last, taking in a long breath between his teeth, "you are right. It is the Proserpine, and all hands are lost. What a terrible thing!"

His face was very solemn as he spoke, but his eye danced and glittered. I was beginning to conceive a great repugnance and distrust toward this man.

"Is there no chance of any one having got ashore?" he said

No, no cargo neither," my father answered, with real grief in his voice "Ye drons ken this coast. There's an awfu undertow outside the Winners, and it a' swept round to the Holy Isle. De'il take it! if there was to be a shipwreck what for should they no' run their ship aground to the east'ard o' the point and let an honest man have the pickings instead o the rascally loons in Arran An empty barrel might float in here but there's no chance o' a sea chest let alane a body"

"Poor fellows!" said Digby. "But there—we must meet it some day, and why not here and now I've lost my ship but thank heaven I can buy another It is sad about them, though—very sad. I warned Lamarck that he was wasting too long with a low barometer and an ugly shore under his lee He has himself to think. He was my first officer—a prying, covetous, meddlesome hound"

"Don't call him names" I said. "He's dead

"Well said my young prig!" he answered "Perhaps you wouldn't be so morally mounted yourself if you lost five thousand pounds before breakfast. But there—there's no use crying over spilled milk Vogue la galere! as the French say Things are never so bad but that they might be worse"

My father and Digby staid at the scene of the wreck but I walked over to Corriemains to reassure Minnie's mind as to the apparition at the window Her opinion when I told her all coincided with mine that perhaps the crew of the brig knew more about the stranger than he cared for We agreed that I should keep a close eye upon him without letting him know that he was watched

But oh Archie," she said, "you mustna cross him or anger him while he carries them awfu weapons. Ye mustn be douce and saft and no' gainsay him"

I laughed and promised her to be very prudent which reassured her a little Old Fullarton walked back with me in the hope of picking up a piece of timber, and both he and my father patrolled the shore for many days without, however, finding any prize of importance, for the undercurrent off the Winners was very strong, and everything had probably drifted right around to Lamlash bay in Arran

It was wonderful how quickly the stranger accommodated himself to our insular ways and how useful he made himself about the homesteading Within a fortnight he knew the island almost as well as I did myself Had it not been for that one unpleasant recollection of the shipwreck which rankled in my memory since I could have found it in my heart to become fond of him His nature was a tropical one—fiercely depressed at times but sunny as a rule, bursting continually into jest and song from pure instinct in a manner which is unknown among us northerners In his graver moments he was a most interesting companion telling shrewdly and eloquently of men and manners and his own innumerable and strange adventures.

I have seldom in all a more brilliant conversationalist Of an evening he would keep my father and myself spellbound by the kitchen fire for hours and hours while he chatted away in a desultory fashion and smoked his cigarettes It seemed to me that the pipe he had brought with him on the fire night must have consisted entirely of tobacco I noticed that in these conversations, which were entirely addressed to my father and myself unconsciously perhaps to play upon the weak side of the old man's nature, tales of cunning, of smartness, of various ways in which mankind had been cheated and money gained came most readily to the lips and were relished by an eager listener I could not help one night remarking upon it when my father had gone out of the room, laughing hoarsely and vibrating with amusement over some story of how the Biscayan peasants will strap lanterns to a bullock's horns, and taking the beast some distance inland on a stormy night, will make it prance and rear so that the lights of a vessel and steer fearlessly in that direction, only to find themselves on a rock bound coast.

"You shouldn't tell such tales to an old man," I said.

"My dear fellow," he answered very kindly, "you have seen nothing of the world yet. You have formed fine ideas, no doubt, and notions of delicacy and such things, and you are very dogmatic about them, as clever men of your age always are. I had notions of right and wrong once, but it has been all knocked out of me. It's just a sort of varnish which the rough friction of the world soon rubs off I started with a whole soul, but there are more gashes and seams and scars in it now than there are in my body, and that's pretty fair, as you'll allow"—with which he pulled open his tunic and showed me his chest.

"Good heavens!" I said "How on earth did you get those?"

"This was a bullet," he said, pointing to a deep bluish pucker underneath his collar bone "I got it behind the barricades in Berlin in eighteen hundred and forty-eight. Langenback said it just missed the subclavian artery. And this," he went on, indicating a pair of curious elliptical scars upon his throat, "was a bite from a Sioux chief, when I was under Custer on the plains—I've got an arrow wound on my leg from the same party. This is from a mutinous Lascar aboard ship, and the others are mere scratches—Californian vaccination marks. You can excuse my being a little rusty with my own tongue, though, when I've been dropped so often."

"What's this?" I asked, pointing to a little chamois leather bag which was

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REPUBLICAN CALL

The members of the Republican County Committee are requested to meet at the Secretary's headquarters in Kendall's store on Saturday, February 20th, 1892 at 1 o'clock p. m. for the transaction of such business as may come before the meeting.

By order of the County Committee.

Bradford, Feb 19 1892

UNDER no circumstances will the editor of this paper be a candidate for the Legislature in the Republican Convention, which meets in this place on the 9th of July next. It seems to be necessary to make this statement in order to silence rumors floating around the country

THE Senate Finance committee has unanimously adverse reports on Senator Stewart's free coinage bill in Senator Peffer's land loan scheme. Such propositions should be kicked out in Congress, and an adverse report is a stepping stone in that direction

THE Governor has overruled the Pardon Board in the cases of Dunbar and Beahan. The Board of Pardons recommended the pardon of the prisoners, but the Governor refuses to exercise executive clemency and the boys will have to serve out their time in jail

THE contemptible thing at Messrs North and Bannon which appeared in the Bradford *Record* on Monday last is most effectually an answer to the action of the County Committee yesterday afternoon. It has been well known for weeks past that the gentlemen referred to favored a third convention for the nomination of a Senator Representative and county officers

THE meeting of the disgruntled silk stocking Democrats at Cooper Union, N. Y. on Thursday evening of last week was largely attended by honorable vast amount of Democracy was in judgment but it will end in disaster while Hill is gathering in the delegates Up to the time the form for the editorial the delegates in from throughout the State of New York were at Saint Paul Hall

IT may be expected by Gen Hardee to be faithful to Cleveland for the Presidential nomination they must be very green. At the time he left Washington for Cleveland Mr. Brown said that if his old friend Cleveland should be would be a candidate for the next Presidential nomination he would be found in the ranks of the anti-Cleveland men. Chauncey Brown is not a man to go back on his word and he succeeded. The Cleveland men are chuckling in the Democratic Hall over the Pennsylvania delegation

IN the trial of Peter for Hill (The First National Bank of Corning vs. Judge Mayer et al.) Hayes presided. At the close of the plaintiff's case the defendants moved for the dismissal of the bill on the ground that the plaintiff had not proved a case of conspiracy. The motion was granted. Judge Hayes said that such a decision would be rendered in the case if the jury found a verdict for the plaintiff. The jury found for the defendants. It is now stated that such a decision should be rendered as a man as Judge Mayer in 1881 was not guilty then why punish him by making him pay the costs? It is very evident that Judge Mayer thought he would get a verdict and was afraid the jury would have a

A Good Green Food Cooper

State Normal School Edinboro, Feb 15, 92

On the evening of the 8th Edinboro trustees voted to dismiss me from the Principalship of the school. They made four charges against me all of which were born in Malice. Every charge is false. I continued to be dismissed. I have continued at my post. I have had three trustees arrested for conspiracy and two for libel. Any day will be arrested for libel. Our citizens are determined the whole fifteen shall be removed from office. I shall use every one of these officers for damages. Students and teachers never more united. We expect 400 students next term. I thank my friends for their expressions of confidence and esteem.

J. A. COOPER.

FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

From our own correspondent.

HARRISBURG, Feb 15th, 1892.—At last the secret proceedings of the World's Fair Commissioners of Pennsylvania are to come to an end and hereafter *all meetings* will be held with open doors.

The public, so far as a greater portion of the business transacted at certain committee meetings is concerned, knows absolutely nothing of what was going on, except what it was deemed advisable to make known. The suspicion demanded to be let into the secrets, and hence an order, that all committee meetings hereafter must be with open door.

The work of the Fair Committee is reported to be in all respects far in advance of any of our sister States and the Legislative Appropriation of $300,000 is also said to be in advanced stage of dissolution.

There are now in the Commission an army of secretaries clerks special agents and experts which in point of numbers exceeds the clerkships on the Hill under State pay

The salaries of the Commissioners pay roll range all the way from $600 to $5,000 per annum. A very great deal of complaint is heard on all sides about the proceedings of the Commission and not infrequently it is charged that it is used wherever it is possible to do so, as an addenda to the political machine in power and that with but few exceptions patronage of the Commission in the distribution of salaried places is given to party followers, who in turn are expected to render quid pro quo in party work. There are almost as many departments in the Commission as there are members and then the sub-divisions of these departments are many and each is given a clerk or Secretary at a good compensation or salary. It is computed that the cost of salaries alone, will reach $35,000.00, almost 1/3 of the total amount appropriated by the Legislature to cover the expense of giving the great Keystone State proper representation at the Exposition

Lieut Governor Watres General Osbun several officers of the Commission have endeavored to induce some desirable changes in the methods of business but they unfortunately represent the minority on the Commission and beyond their protests at existing methods their objections are unheeded

It was hinted a few days ago that there might be a deficiency to the appropriation and in fact suggestion was made that the existing Legislature would be requested to supplement the original appropriation of $300,000 with a small amount and right now certain local Ordinances are in readiness to be put in an effective manner and called a halt on the extravagance of the Commission and the men pledged last night at the earnest solicitation of the Lodge adjourned to the Chamber present an increase of the appropriation

Economy ought to be practiced in a diligent manner at the Exposition and those who are responsible for it ought to spend the funds entrusted to them to make our showing at Chicago a success, ought to feel that their positions should not be used for any purpose other than the state's interests, or left to cancel the obligations incurred in a spirit of extravagance that is past all excuse

Several days during last week the Senate appeared the last day of the session the Legislature has been a busy one in its efforts to clear the management of the so called speculators having charge of several of the Orphans schools and the legislation appropriated $ for the support and care of the orphans. Many of these institutions were in a pretty bad condition and the investigation developed that there was a good deal of truth in the charges made by Patterson and others. Senator Wright who was the President of the Syndicate during its existence was the only witness examined but the Committee did not succeed in getting anything from him nor did the Commission produce anything against him that justified charges of the theft of State monies or inhuman and cruel treatment of the pupils that had been placed under his charge at any of the schools. The investigation is adjourned to meet in Philadelphia at some future date to be fixed by the Chairman of the Committee

Just at the present time there is a good deal of quiet politics going on in Harrisburg for the resignation of lobbyers and lawyers are in office on the Hill

At every opportunity it is published in the democracy that Governor Pattison is in favor of the nomination of Cleveland For President and that in no circumstances will the Pennsylvania delegation go to Chicago supporting a delegate to Chicago supporting a delegate to Chicago supporting a delegate

McKean County Items.

CLUBBING RATES.

We will send the MINER and any paper or magazine mentioned below for one year, to any address, as follows:

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The MINER and *Demorest Family Magazine* for $1.10.

The MINER and *National Tribune*, for $2.00.

The MINER and *Home Market Bulletin* for $1.50.

The MINER and *Scribner's Magazine* for 3 50.

Smethport, Pa., Feb. 19, 1892.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

NOTICE.

F. P. Shelp is our authorized agent in the city of Bradford to contract for advertising and job work and receive subscriptions for the MINER.

F. W. Morse, Sr., is the authorized agent of the MINER in Kane borough and the townships of Wetmore, Hamilton and Humlin. He is authorized to receive subscriptions and contract for advertising and job work. L. ROOKER AND SON, Publishers.

—Johnsonburg is now a borough.

—Remember the lecture Tuesday night.

—Washington's birthday next Monday.

—The snow storm of last Friday had a bad effect on local railroad traffic.

—Attend the dance of the Smethport Military Band next Monday night.

—Our streets and sidewalks have badholes by pavements for some time past.

—Frequent and loud laughing is the characteristic of folly and ill manners.

—The regular February term of court commences on Monday next. An argument court will be held March 4.

—Tickets for Rev. E. E. Helms' lecture on Tuesday evening next, have been put on sale at Rep. Capehart's at East Smethport.

—The St. Cecelias will serve cooked food on Saturday from 4 to 8 p. m. at the Guild room. Lunch served as usual.

—The Port Allegany Gas Company has commenced work on their well in Rollshollow and the drill is down about 900 feet.

—We hope those people who are always sighing for some "good, old-fashioned winter weather," have had a stomach full by this time.

—Rev. Otho Jeffrey will occupy the pulpit of the Baptist church next Sunday morning. Service at 10.30. There will be no evening service.

—The G. A. R. Encampment of Pennsylvania, and the State Convention of the W. R. C. will be held in Pittsburgh next Wednesday and Thursday.

—"Macbethbeth" will be the subject at the M. E. Church next Sunday night. This is the third in the series of sermons on the "Kings and Queens of Darkness and Light."

—A young Norwegian in Minnesota fell heir to a baronetcy and fortune in Norway and the good news so elated him that he proceeded to get drunk and was frozen to death in a barn.

—Governor Pattison has refused to grant pardons to Reinicke and Behan who are now serving sentences in the McKean county jail, although the board a few weeks since recommended pardons for them.

—A Pennsylvania judge, says an exchange, has just rendered the interesting decision that when a physician owns a drug store and gives a prescription at his own store for the purpose of selling liquor he is violating the law.

—The Uncle Daffy company which appeared here last week was one of the rankest which ever visited Smethport. So bad was it that scarcely a corporal's guard was present the second night, and Manager Kittredge refused the use of the hall for the third night's performance.

—We call our readers' attention to the announcement in another column, of our combination offer whereby our readers can secure the Home Magazine of Washington, D.C., a whole year for a mere nominal sum in connection with a year's subscription to this paper. It will pay you to look into the matter.

—The announcement was made in Tuesday's *Era* that on Monday A. L. Snell, for several years business manager of the *Era*, was transferred to the superintendency of the oil and statistical bureau of the Oil City *Derrick*, and that the business of the *Era* will henceforth be under the guidance of E. H. Luther.

—The Home Magazine of Washington, D. C., conducted by Mrs John A. Logan, the best and most popular low-priced periodical ever printed, can be secured by our readers for a year by sending as a mere nominal sum in addition to the price of a year's subscription to this paper. See announcement in another column.

—Bert Harvey, an employe of the W. N. Y. & P., while attempting to make a coupling at Clermont on Wednesday afternoon, got his right hand caught between the bumpers, badly smashing the hand. The unfortunate man was brought to Smethport and Dr Chadwick amputated two fingers and the thumb.

—A magazine says in a recent number that the practice of "treating" children on one's knees, although it has the sanction of immemorial custom, has not the sanction of common sense, and that infants should never be treated in that way. It says that if the adult body were treated in the ratio of corresponding strength, the exercise would be equivalent to being churned up and down on the walking beam of good sized steam engine. Bear it in mind.

—A circular bearing the signatures of Secretary of the Commonwealth Harrity, Secretary of Internal Affairs Stewart and Auditor General McCamant, who comprise the board appointed under the Hafer ballot bill to decide upon the devices for the voting booths, ballot-boxes, etc., to be used under its provisions, has been mailed to all the county commissioners in Pennsylvania. The circular contains descriptions of the shelves, compartments, guard-rails and ballot-boxes selected by the board, gives estimates for the kind of cost and is accompanied by diagrams and cuts of the device that must under the law be uniform throughout the State. The arrangement is quite complicated.

—The Smethport Band will give a grand ball at the opera house on Monday evening next, and we advise all lovers of dancing to be there. Mills' full orchestra will furnish the music and a good time is assured. The band since its reorganization has been materially strengthened and has been working hard for some time past, and as a result is in pretty good shape. The boys are deserving of a big benefit, and as the tickets are only one dollar we expect to see the hall well filled.

—The Augusta Mines Comedy Company, which was organized here last week, left for Austin Monday. The company gave performances at Crosby on Friday and Saturday nights to delighted audiences. The company includes the best talent from the Myers company, namely Mike Mines, Tom Davis and R. W. Mines, augmented by the addition of Mr. and Mrs. Strawbridge, artists of recognized ability. The company will appear at the opera house in this place on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings next in an entirely new programme.

—The Deposit (N. Y.) *Courier* of February 11th contains the announcement of the death of Addison J. Wheeler, Esq., at his home in that place on Friday, Feb'y 5th. A little over a year ago Mr. Wheeler suffered a paralytic stroke of paralysis from which he never fully recovered. He was born in Deposit, April 16, 1816, and has always resided there. He was a brother of Hon. William Wheeler, of Potterville, N. Y., and was well known in this section, where he had business interests for many years past. His friends in McKean county will be pained to hear of his death.

—In the Empire States of New York, within 140 miles of the great city of New York, in the center of a prosperous farming community, in a county where thousands of dollars are expended annually for the purposes of education and thousands more for the advance of Christianity, there are persons who believe so thoroughly in the ancient bugaboo called witchcraft that they have committed murder to rid the community of a peaceable old man who had lived among them for years. He was accused of bewitching a man, filling him with pins and strange substances; and he the same means those loving people say he killed the bewitched one's horses and afflicted his cattle with hoy fever. He is also said to have caused ruffians to kill the bewitched one's mother-in-law and hit son to fall from a load of hay and break his neck. He was also accused of causing the bewitched one's brother to be killed by the cars, and of doing other things, all the twaddle that would fit well on pages of history in the days of witchery.—*Ex*.

—George Nellis, a brakeman on the D. B. & K. railroad, met with a terrible accident on Thursday, which will probably result in his death. As extra had been transferred at Ormsby, and Nellis was engaged in changing the coupling link, and while walking backward has heel caught on the guard rail and threw him to the ground, the wheels of the locomotive passing over the leg and grinding it to a pulp from the foot to the knee. The injured man was placed on the train and brought to Smethport and Dr. E. G. Brown summoned, who stopped the flow and made him as comfortable as possible. Nellis was taken to Dr. Freeman's sanitarium, and the doctor, who had just left town was telegraphed to return. On his return he and Dr. Brown held a consultation and decided it incumbent to resort to amputation. Nellis had only been on the road for a short time and his wife was much opposed to his engaging in so dangerous an occupation. Mrs. Nellis came from Bradford on the noon train and at once repaired to the bedside of her husband.

PERSONAL MENTION

We would thank it a favor if those having friends visiting in this place would notify us by postal or by having a notice at this office.

A. F. Ransom, Clerk of the Senate, was in town this week.

E. E. Nash, of Bradford, had business at the county seat last Friday.

The marriage of Mr. Archie Norton, of Kendall Creek, and Miss Mary Grigsby, of Smethport, is announced.

Miss Josie Baker and brother George drove to Colegrove last Sunday afternoon in company with Rev. J. T. Russell.

H. H. Curson, one of Kane's most progressive citizens, the princely host of the Knox House, was shaking hands with Smethport friends last Friday.

Sheridan Gupton, Grand Master Workman of the Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania A. O. U. W., left for Pittsburgh Friday on business connected with the order. Before his return he will take a trip through West Virginia. Mr. Gupton is making a very efficient officer, and is giving the order a good deal of attention. Already the effects of his excellent administration is being manifested by a renewed interest all over the State.

A Fatal Accident.

Joseph Lahey, a brakeman on the D. B. & K. R. R. was killed on Monday afternoon, near that Company's station in this place. He was assisting in making up a train of cars loaded with timber, and was in the act of coupling when a log which projected over the end of one of the cars struck him in the breast crushing in the breast bone and at the same time breaking his neck. The other trainmen ran to his assistance but he was dying when they reached him. He was taken to the Peirce House where he breathed his last about thirty-five minutes from the moment he was struck. He lived in Bradford and the *Era* says he was 31 years of age. He was formerly a brakeman on the C. R. & P. Road, but three months ago he commenced working for the D. B. & K. company. He was a sober industrious man and well liked by his associates. He boarded at the house of Mrs. Wakefield, rear of Lorch's printing office, and his home was at Brisbin, Clearfield county, Pa. Coroner Hoeuss came over from Bradford Tuesday morning, and after looking into the facts of the case decided to hold no inquest. He was satisfied it was an accident for which no one was to blame.

Teachers's Association.

The McKean County Teachers' Association will be held in the High School building of Bradford, the 25, 26 and 27 inst. Dr. D. J. Waller, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, will be present Thursday afternoon, the 25th, and deliver an address. The teachers of Bradford are preparing to have teachers of the county entertained during the association.

A Leader.

Since its first introduction, Electric Bitters has gained rapidly in popular favor, until now it is clearly in the lead among pure medical tonics and alteratives—containing nothing which permits its use as a beverage or intoxicant, it is recognized as the best and purest medicine for all ailments of stomach, liver or kidneys.—It will cure sick headache, indigestion, Constipation, and malaria from the system. Satisfaction guaranteed with each bottle or the money will be refunded. Price only 50c. per bottle. Sold by F. P. Foster.

Death of E. A. Sprague.

No matter how long one may have been ill, in a community where they are well known, and their death expected from day to day, yet when the supreme moment does come it shocks all within the circle of those who were intimately acquainted with the deceased. The death of Dr. M. A. Sprague, which occurred at his residence in this borough last evening shortly after 11 o'clock, was a shock to this community, although it has been generally known for weeks past that he was in a critical condition, and might drop off at any moment. Two years ago he had an attack of the grip from which he never fully recovered. For the past year he has been afflicted with liver complaint of a serious character, but the immediate cause of death was hemorrhage.

Dr. Sprague was born at Glenwood, Erie county, N. Y., on the 4th day of December, 1823. He came to Smethport in 1850, and followed the profession of dentistry for several years. In May, 1862, he married Emma J. Richmond, a daughter of Nelson Richmond, deceased, and sister of E. F and F. O. Richmond, well-known citizens of this place. The result of that union was a son, C. R., and a daughter, Rose. In 1863 Dr. Sprague was appointed U. S. deputy revenue collector for the counties of McKean, Elk and Cameron. He filled that position until he was appointed Prothonotary in the fall of 1871, to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of the Prothonotary elect. At the end of that term he was elected for a full term, serving about five years in that office. In 1880 he was appointed postmaster of Smethport and served about six years. In all the official positions decorated ever filled he discharged the duties of those positions with great credit, and to the entire satisfaction of those with whom he had official relations. There are few men in McKean county who are better known than was Dr. Sprague. He was a man of strong principles, earnest and outspoken, and in his blunt manner would sometimes offend those who he was addressing, but never intentionally unless severely provoked; his death will be universally regretted throughout the county.

The deceased was a member of Trinity Commandery of Bradford and the funeral services, which will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, will be in charge of the Commandery.

The Board of Trade Meeting.

An other enthusiastic public meeting was held at the Knox House last Monday evening, Judge Morrison presided at the meeting. On taking the chair that gentleman stated that the committee of five appointed at a former meeting to draft rules, etc., for the government of the proposed organization had completed their labors and were ready to present their report after a few introductory remarks Judge Morrison read the report, and on motion the same was adopted. The chair then asked all present to attach their names to the document, and a number of persons did so.

Judge Morrison stated that he understood that he had been honored with the appointment of President of the board of trade, and that while he greatly appreciated the compliment, he thought that it would not be for the best interests of the organization that he should serve, as the procurement of a charter and perhaps other matters in connection with perfecting the organization of the board of trade would have to come before the court, and if he was interested in an official capacity in the board he could not act on any of those questions. Mr. Morrison went on to state that while his whole heart was in the work, and that he would do all in his power to advance the interests of the board of trade as a private citizen, he thought it was incompatible for him to accept the office, and he therefore declined to serve. It is to be regretted that Judge Morrison would not consent to accept the office which he is so well qualified to fill, but the board will no doubt be spared of his valuable assistance in any way he can give it when not conflicting with his judicial position.

On motion of Mr. Gifford it was the sense of the meeting that a board of directors to consist of five persons be appointed. This motion was afterwards amended so as to make the number seven. The following representative citizens of Smethport were appointed as members of the board of directors: S. J. Gifford, D. C. Young, Jas. A. McKean, L. W. Mason, E. R. Mayo, L. Rogers, H. L. McGee.

There being no further business it was moved that the meeting adjourn to meet at the call of the board of directors.

Suicide in the Jail.

Last Saturday morning as Dan Dwyer, turnkey at the jail was making the rounds some of the prisoners told him that Edward Kehoe was hanging to his cell. He hurried to Kehoe's cell and lost no time in cutting the body (which was not yet cold) down. It was evident that the man had been dead an hour or more when discovered. The unfortunate man had made a rope of his bedding and placed one end of it about his neck and the other to the upper bunk and by that means slowly strangled to death. When found his feet were resting on the floor of the cell. Coroner Slocum was notified, and that officer came over from Bradford in the afternoon. After investigating the matter he concluded that an inquest was unnecessary. Kehoe was about 25 years old. When a mere lad he was struck on the head, and for several years he had been considered substantially demented. He was incarcerated in the McKean county jail shortly before Christmas on the charge of cruelty to the poor, he having threatened to shoot several Bradford paupers, among whom was D. A. Dennison, of the *Era*, for some imaginary wrong they had done him. The young man's brother in company with undertaker Lane came over from Bradford on Saturday and transferred the body to that city, where it was interred Monday afternoon. This is the second suicide by hanging that has occurred at the jail during the past four years.

Woman's Suffer-age.

Was what a wisey woman called that period of life which all middle aged ones through, and during which no one may seem to think they must suffer—that Nature intended it so. The same lady added: "If you don't believe in 'woman's suffer-age,' there is no one ballot which will effectually defeat it—Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription." This is true, not only at the period of middle life, but at all ages when women suffer from weakness, debilitating irregularities, inflammation, ulceration or prolapsus, the Favorite Prescription" so strengthens the weak or diseased organs and enriches the blood, that years of health and enjoyment are added life.

—I suffered from a severe cold in my head for months and could get no relief. Was advised to use Ely's Cream Balm. It has worked like a charm in its cure. I am free from my cold after using the Balm a few days, and I believe it is the best remedy known.—Samuel J. Harris' Wholesale Grocer, 119 Front Street New York.

ELECTION RETURNS.

SMETHPORT BOROUGH.

Burgess.

W. D. Gallup, R.	had	210 votes
Carl Sasse, D.	"	196 "

Councilmen.

James McGuire, R.	had	197 votes
A. Sturdivant, R.	"	163 "
T. H. Purtle, D.	"	165 "
J. A. Holder, D.	"	89 "

School Directors.

E. L. Keenan, R.	had	122 votes
D. C. Young, R.	"	163 "
J. H. Tate, D.	"	110 "
D. L. Forsyth, D.	"	101 "

Justice of the Peace.

P. Ford, R.	had	115 votes
J. C. Hamlin, D.	"	99 "

Judge of Election.

E. R. Mayo, R.	had	111 votes
T. D. Nash, D.	"	103 "

Inspectors of Election.

H. W. Rohlo, R.	had	114 votes
Jos. M. Reilly, D.	"	101 "

Collector.

J. A. Verdoo, R.	had	135 votes
H. C. Wells, D.	"	77 "

Assessor.

B. T. Downey, R.	had	115 votes
J. W. Reilly, D.	"	97 "

Auditor.

Cliff Burlingame, R.	had	103 votes
John Fleeval, D.	"	110 "

KEATING TOWNSHIP—1ST DIST.

Supervisor.

J. T. Kent	had	75 votes
H. N. Sanders	"	32 "
N. C. Hyde	"	173 "
N. J. McGill	"	100 "
S. H. Elder	"	57 "

School Directors.

Henry Roeder	had	149 votes
M. C. Stickles	"	131 "
W. S. Acre	"	139 "
James McGowan	"	81 "

Assessors.

A. T. Stranahan	had	133 votes
A. R. Cory	"	120 "

Assistant Assessors.

A. B. Hyde	had	149 votes
W. O. Holder	"	109 "

Collector.

Lincoln Gallup	had	149 votes
E. C. Day	"	108 "

Auditor.

D. L. Haven	had	150 votes
J. L. Bean	"	108 "

Town Clerk.

I. S. Reynolds	had	126 votes
C. M. Capehart	"	130 "

Judge of Election.

W. A. McIntosh	had	147 votes
A. A. Daly	"	117 "

Inspectors of Election.

B. J. Stroll	had	141 votes
J. M. Tracy	"	117 "

KEATING—2D DIST.

Supervisors.

E. J. McGill	had	10 votes
S. H. Elder	"	72 "
H. M. Sanders	"	44 "
J. T. Kent	"	3 "
N. C. Hyde	"	2 "

School Directors.

James McGowan	had	53 votes
W. S. Acre	"	38 "
H. Roeder	"	37 "
Miller Stickles	"	29 "
A. R. Cory	"	1 "
D. L. Haven	"	1 "

Assessor.

A. R. Cory	had	50 votes
A. T. Stranahan	"	30 "

Assistant Assessor

Wm. Cook	had	79 votes.

Collector.

Lincoln Gallup	had	39 votes
E. C. Day	"	10 "

Town Clerk

C. M. Capehart	had	42 votes
I. S. Reynolds	"	37 "

Auditor.

D. L. Haven	had	42 votes
J. L. Bean	"	38 "

Judge of Election.

G. W. Stallsmith	had	79 votes

Inspectors of Election.

R. L. Stevens	had	70 votes
H. H. Harrison	"	10 "

KEATING—3d dist.

Supervisors.

H. M. Sanders	had	56 "
S. H. Elder	"	57 "

School Directors.

James McGowan	had	56
Henry Roeder	"	2 "
Miller Stickles	"	1 "

Assessor.

A. R. Cory	"	56 "

Ass't Assessor.

D. C. Barber	"	54 "

Town Clerk.

C. M. Capehart	"	18 "
I. S. Reynolds	"	39 "

Auditor.

J. L. Bean	"	18 "
D. L. Haven	"	39 "

Collector.

E. C. Day	"	18 "
Lincoln Gallup	"	39 "

O. F. Thompson had 57 votes for Judge of Election and for Inspectors, R. E. Conwell had 15 votes and J. B. Downs 42 votes.

ANNIN

Supervisors.

N. W. Taylor,	had	36 votes
A. W. Sage,	"	39 "
Edward Crowley,	"	70 "
Chas. Wandover,	"	68 "
Ira W. Tubbs,	"	12 "
Benj. F. Taylor,	"	12 "

School Directors.

John Murphy,	"	100 "
Daniel Crowley,	"	34 "
Joseph Finn,	"	71 "
A. F. Strait,	"	16 "
O. A. Graves,	"	16 "

Collector.

Lorenzo Hodges,	"	35 "
James H. Cawley,	"	69 "
Wm. Whitney,	"	14 "

Auditor.

N. H. Harder,	"	36 "
Thos. McJarrick,	"	71 "
Wm. Wilson,	"	13 "

Assessor.

J. S. Hodges	"	36 "
Thos. Finn	"	67 "
H. A. Harder	"	13 "

Town Clerk.

Lorenzo Hodges	"	39 "
S. P. Bacon	"	64 "
Frank Wood	"	17 "

Judge of Election

Darius Simpson	"	40 "
J. B. Robinson	"	66 "
O. P. Crandall	"	15 "

Inspectors

Edwin Cooper	"	35 "
P. McNally	"	68 "
Irwin G. Tubbs	"	17 "

Rich Blood And Cleaner.

It troubles the sinner and troubles the saint, It's a troublesome, trying and nasty complaint,
Don't think it incurable; I tell you it ain't.

Excuse the grammar; it's the truth I'm after, whether grammatically or ungrammatically told. The truth is, that catarrh can be cured. The proprietors of Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy offer $500 or an incurable case of Catarrh in the Head.

The Symptoms of Catarrh.—Headache, obstruction of the nose, discharges falling into the throat, sometimes profuse, watery and acrid, at others, thick, tenacious, mucous, purulent, bloody, putrid and offensive; eyes weak, ringing in the ears, deafness; offensive breath, smell and taste impaired, and general debility. Only a few of these symptoms likely to be present in any case. Dr. Sage's Remedy cures the worst cases. Only 50 cents. Sold by druggists, everywhere.

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THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities Picked up by Our Regular Correspondents.

PORT ALLEGANY.

Dr. A. G. Prill, M. D., was in town a few days last week.

Mrs. A. A. Hughes took his departure for Enfield last Saturday, which place he will make his home hereafter.

Insurance and mile scouts were as plenty as flies on a July day, in town last week.

Dr. Lacey drove over to the county seat last Wednesday.

The W. C. T. U., held a meeting at their rooms over the bank, last Saturday afternoon.

Rev. Van Wegan, of Michigan, occupied the pulpit at the Methodist church Sunday.

Miss Bessie Hooker, who has been quite ill since the fire, has nearly recovered.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hooker are spending a few days in Perrville with Mrs. Hooker's sister who is seriously ill.

A meeting of the McKean Agricultural society was held at the office of C. W. Catlin last Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: E. T. Dalrymple, President; J. Gallup, Vice President; C. W. Catlin, Secretary; E. R. Post ex, Treasurer; S. C. Gallup, R. N. Mellott, S. C. Barrett, Directors; Thos. Hellowell, W. E. Smith, W. J. Davis, Auditors. The fair this year will be held on the 14, 15 and 16 of September. A new premium list will be prepared throughout, within a few months, and they will be distributed all through the country. The officers are determined to make the fair this fall the best ever held in the county.

Last Wednesday morning at twenty minutes of two o'clock, the people were aroused from their sleep to witness one more of those very mysterious fires which have occurred in this place within the last few years, this time it consumed not the dwelling store on Hill street which was occupied by John & Co., dealers in clothing, known as the Boston Clothing Store. Before the fire company could get on the grounds and connect their hose, the building was entirely enveloped in flames, the building and stock was entirely destroyed. The building was valued at about eight hundred dollars, the stock was wholly covered with insurance. The adjoining store building owned by P. J. Wellpper. Mr Weippper and family occupied the second story as a dwelling and a large part of clothing and all of the rest was burned or damaged by water. The most of the second floor furniture on the first floor were saved by the hero d work of the firemen, who had succeeded in getting the fire under control before the roof and walls of the building were burned. Mr Wippper's damage was about two thousand dollars and only partially insured. A fire company was never more appreciated than it was last wednesday morning; without it the entire place might of been burned.

HAMLIN.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Shog buried their infant child on Saturday.

Miss W., son of S. B. and Rose B Hughes, aged 5 years, died in Pittsburgh, Wednesday last, past of diphtheria croup. Mr. and Mrs. Hughes were former residents of Annin.

Miss Hannah Coleman went to Philadelphia on the mail train sunday evening. She sailed from the city of Brotherly love, for Liverpool, on the American line steamer, Lord Gough.

Peter Sheely, of Highland, Elk county, who has been in the Woods-co Hospital for treatment, has recovered and gone home.

Webb Smith returned to his home at Eden-borgh last week.

Monday was a very busy day in the *Republican* office where the tickets for both parties in the borough as well as the thousands of stickers, and tickets for Wetmore township were printed.

Monday evening, Mr Wilson, editor of the *Kane Leader*, and occasional visitor to Cottage visited the *Republican* office and spent a short time pleasantly. Mr Wilson, as well as Mr Collings are affable and courteous gentlemen.

V. M. Orr was elected Burgess over F. A. Vanorsdell by 6 majority. It was a complete surprise to the Republicans as they were confident of defeating him by a fair majority. Mr. Vanorsdell was considered one of the most popular men in the borough. The cause of his defeat cannot be explained at this time. F. W. Moore was elected Judge of Election in the 3rd ward by 24 majority, over Jas. Peterson, both of the most popular Democrats in the ward. H. W. Mellitt was elected Justice of the Peace, Hon. Lew Davis, succeeded himself as Assessor by defeating E. H. Long a very popular Democrat.

COLEGROVE.

Mrs. Maud McGee has been sick for the past week.

William Marsh is looking happy since the arrival of the girl baby at his home last week.

Charlie Pierce, of Cowley, is at present in the employ of Quinn Bros. at their mill four miles beyond Lewisville.

Mr. and Mrs. Tobe Conners are the happy parents of a twelve pound baby boy.

Rumor saith: One of our young men hath taken unto himself a wife away over in Potter Co., but rumor is a great gossip sometimes. We will give no names until later.

Preparations are being made to observe Washington's birthday, having Horary exercises, singing, &c., of a patriotic and national character, in the hall at Crosby next Monday evening. A fine lunch and social will be given at the close of the exercises. The money obtained will be to help pay for stoves to be used in the hall.

Jack Bauer returned home from Virginia last week where he has been for the last year. Mr. Bauer is much pleased with the southern country.

Only a few of our people could be present to hear the excellent close drew by Rev. Hipsel last Sunday evening, as it rained almost incessantly.

As ten thieves are not all dead yet. Their depredations last reported were as Ira Burdick's where they obtained ten hens. Such people would eat up the Czar of Russia if they were over in Northern Europe.

CLERMONT.

Mart Holcomb, of Kasson, was in town a few days last week.

Wallie Russell has been confined to his bed for some time with la grippe his many friends hope for his speedy recovery.

Dr Palmer and Mr. Rooney, of Johnsonburg, were in town last Tuesday.

Two of Smethport's enterprising young men drove up from that place last Sunday, made us a pleasant call, returning in the afternoon. Come ags a boys.

Supt Kohler visited our schools on Thursday of last week.

Yes, we agree with Andrew Lundgren in regard to what he said in last weeks MINER about Mr. Mellado's horse being whipped to death by the driver, and if such be the case the owner is to be looked after that matter, and we wish to say right here, that any man or men, that will stand by and see another whip a poor dumb brute to death and not interfere in the matter, is no better than the one that does the whipping and ought to be dealt with accordingly.

ANNUAL EXCURSION TO WASHINGTON D C

Rate $10 00, Ticket good 10 Days Returning.

The W. N. Y. & P. R. R., announce their annual winter outing Excursion from this station to Washington D. C., Washington's birthday, Monday, Feb. 22d. Through sleeping cars will leave here on 2:31 p. m. train, arriving in Washington at 7:30 a. m., Tuesday.

Nearly every hotel in Washington has made reduced rates for those attending this excursion, ranging from $1.50 per day at the American House to $3.00 per day at Willards. Special low rates have been made by the railroads and steamboat companies, for those wishing to extend their trip to Richmond, Petersburg, or Old Point Comfort. Passengers will have the privilege to stop over on the return journey at Baltimore and Philadelphia, within limit of tickets.

This grand opportunity to spend a few days at the National Capital, and handsomest city in the world should not be missed.

To insure sleeping car space, leaving your order with nearest agent, or write J. A. Fellows, G. P. & T. Agt., Buffalo, at an early date. Excursion Agent Newton will accompany the party, Monday, Feb. 22d. $10 00 for the round trip.

A Million Friends.

A friend in need is a friend indeed, and not less than one million people have found just such a friend in Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds.—If you have never used this Great Cough Medicine, one trial will convince you that it has wonderful curative powers in all diseases of throat, chest and lungs. Each bottle is guaranteed to do all that is claimed or money will be refunded. Trial bottles free at F. P. Foster's Drug store. Large bottles 50c. and $1 00.

New Facts!

The Chicago, Milwaukee & St Paul Railroad Company has just issued a twenty paged pamphlet entitled "New Facts about South Dakota." Everybody interested in farming should have a copy. It gives a complete report of every county, and contains a geographically correct county map of North as well as South Dakota. Send your name and address to George H. Heafford, General Passenger Agent, Chicago, Ill., or to John R. Pott, District Passenger Agent, Williamsport, Pa., for one of them. Free by return mail.

A Mystery Explained.

The papers contain frequent notices of rich, pretty and educated girls eloping with negroes, tramps and coachmen. The well known specialist, Dr. Franklin Miles, says all such girls are more or less hysterical, nervous, very impulsive, unbalanced; usually subject to headache, neuralgia, sleeplessness, immoderate crying or laughing. These show weak nervous system for which there is no remedy equal to Restorative Nervine. Trial bottles and a fine book, containing many marvelous cures, free at A. B. Armstrong, who also sell, and guarantee Dr. Miles' celebrated New Heart Cure, the finest of heart tonics. Cures flattering, short breath, etc.

EVERYBODY'S COLUMN.

Items of Interest Gathered from Various Sources by the Men Who Get Them.

—For fine tobacco, cigars, etc., go to Emil Thamm's.

—Cortland county creamery butter can be found at J. H. Stull's meat market East Smethport, Pa.

Lost—A gold watch between Smethport and Larrabee, a liberal reward will be paid the finder by leaving it at M. L. Armstrong's.

—I was a sufferer from catarrh for fifteen years, with distressing pain over my eyes. I used Ely's Cream Balm with gratifying results. Am apparently cured.—Z. C. Warren, Rutland, Vt.

—The finest stock of robes, blankets, etc., in this section, at Gleason & Lemmler's, and prices are down to rock bottom. Don't fail to call and examine before purchasing elsewhere.

—Shell and count oysters and clams direct from Baltimore, served in every style at Wilcox's Novelty Restaurant, two doors below the Chautauqua House. Families supplied with shell or bulk oysters or clams.

Songs have the power to quiet
The restless pulse of care,
And come like the benediction
That follows after prayer.

If you are worn out by that hacking cough and want a good night rest try Pan-Tina the great remedy for Coughs, Colds and Consumption, 25 and 50 cents. Trial bottles of Pan Tina free at F. P. Foster Drug Store.

—Mr. Reed, of the firm of Reed, Martin & Co., of Olean, will be the at barn of A. T. Palmer's in this village some time next week to help any buggies or wagons that need repairing or repainting. Eliminate on all kinds of new and old work given on application. Any word left with regard to work to be done, or any buggies left at the barn to be shipped will receive prompt attention.

Yours Respectfully,
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Guaranteed Cure.

We authorize our advertised druggist to sell Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, upon this condition. If you are afflicted with a cough, cold or any lung, throat or chest trouble, and will use this remedy as directed, giving it a fair trial, and experience no benefit, you may return the bottle and have your money refunded. We could not make this offer did we not know that Dr. King's New Discovery could be relied on. Just, for disappointment. Trial bottles free at F. P. Foster's Drug Store. Large size 50c. and $1 00.

Just Stop

If you want a good dish of oysters—New York Counts—raw, stewed, pan-stew, fried, or on toast, go to A. L. Peirce. He is never without.

Miles' Nerve and Liver Pills.

Act on a new principle—regulating the liver stomach and bowels *through the nerves*. A new discovery. Dr. Miles' Pills speedily cure biliousness, bad taste, torpid liver, piles, constipation. Unequaled for men, women, children. Smallest, mildest, surest! 50 doses, 25 cts. Samples free, at A. B. Armstrong's Drug Store.

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Cough Following the Grip.

Many persons who have recovered from la grippe are now troubled with a persistent cough. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will promptly loosen this cough and relieve the lungs, effecting a permanent cure in a very short time. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by A. B. Armstrong Druggist.

La Grippe.

No healthy person need fear any dangerous consequences from an attack of la grippe if properly treated. It is much the same as a severe cold and requires precisely the same treatment. Remain quietly at home and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as directed for a severe cold and a prompt and complete recovery is sure to follow. This remedy also counteracts any tendency of grippe to result in pneumonia. Among the many thousands who have used it during the epidemic of the past two years we have yet to learn of a single case that has not recovered or that has resulted in pneumonia. 25 and 50 cent bottle. For sale by A. B. Armstrong, druggist.

The Little Ones.

Should be carefully considered, especially when they contract Coughs and Colds. Croup is the demon of childhood, as many a fond mother knows. Do not allow a Cough or Cold to run on. Whether young or old, it may be the forerunner of an untimely death. We can confidently recommend all readers to use Pan-Tina, the celebrated remedy for Coughs, Colds and Consumption, costs 25 and 50 cents. Trial bottles of Pan Tina free at F. P. Foster Drug Store.

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A certain cure for Chronic Sore Eyes, Tetter, Salt Rheum, Scald Head, Old Chronic Sores, Fever Sores, Eczema, Itch, Prairie Scratches, Sore Nipples and Piles. It is cooling and soothing. Hundreds of cases have been cured by it after all other treatment had failed. It is put up in 25 and 50 cent boxes.

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Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A report of the Commissioners appointed by the Act of 1853, to run, mark and fix the line of McKean and Warren counties, will be presented and for approval and confirmation at a Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, to be held at Smethport, on Monday, February 29th, 1892, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where the same will be appro

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Notice.

THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS OF Administrators having been settled in the office of the Register, the same will be presented for confirmation at the next Orphans' Court, at Smethport, in and for the County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, on the Fourth Monday of February, A. D. 1892, viz:

First and final account of Fletcher Smith, administrator of the estate of Robert Gregg, deceased.

First and final account of Pa Anderson, administrator of the estate of Silas Steele, deceased.

First and final account of George I Ward administrator of the last will and testament of E F Bartram deceased.

First and final account of Charles D Foster executor of the last will and testament of Henry B Baker deceased.

First and final account of A L Collins administrator of the estate of Frank Milligan, deceased.

J M McELROY Register
H CHASE, Deputy

Smethport Pa Jan 13 1892.

Assignee's Notice.

In the matter of the assignment of Charles H Mc Kenzie, of the borough of Smethport, McKean county, Pa.

In the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County Pa. No. 113 February Term, 1892

TO ALL PARTIES CONCERNED

Take notice that I, Fred E Rowley and Samuel W Smith, assignees of Charles H Mc Kenzie, have filed their statement of trust as such assignees, and the same at the presentation of the Court of Common Pleas for said county to be held at Smethport Pa. on Monday February 29 A. D. 1892, will be ready to audit, settle and adjust the same and distribute the assets of said assignment to and among those entitled thereto, at which time and place all persons interested may attend if they see proper.

FRED E ROWLEY
SAMUEL W SMITH
Assignees.

Smethport, Pa. January 5th 1892.

Notice.

Letters testamentary on the estate of Jacob Hamilton late of Hamilton township, McKean county, Pennsylvania, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement.

ELIZABETH HAMILTON
Executrix.

Smethport, Pa. Jan. 6,